

El Salvador Civil Registrations

1. Birth Records 1879 to the present.

The birth records contain the following information:

- Names and surnames
- Date and place of birth
- Parent's names and surnames
- Parent's age and place or origin
- Nationality
- Date of inscription

Notes on the birth records:

San Salvador has indexes of their books beginning 1879

- The books are divided into six classes:
 - legitimate children
 - natural children
 - illegitimate children
 - children of foreigners
 - children of minors
 - children of Salvadorians born abroad

Where are these birth records?

The birth records are archived in each municipality of the country. Note: Some have been destroyed.

2. Marriage Records 1879 to the present.

The marriage records contain the following information:

- Date and place marriage occurred
- Names and surnames of the spouses
- Nationalities
- Ages, origins and occupations or professions
- Parent's place of residency

Where are these marriage records?

The marriage records are archived in each municipality of the country. Note: Some have been destroyed.

3. Divorce Records.

- Names and surnames
- Dates, relationships and proceedings of the court or church;
- Sometimes information relating to the birth or marriage.

Where are the divorce records?

The divorce records are archived in each municipality of the country. Note: Some have been destroyed. The General Central American Archives (AGC) in Guatemala City, Guatemala, has some divorce record from 1603 through 1895, gaveta 4-8.

4. Death Records 1879 to the present.

The death records contain the following information:

- Date of inscription
- Names, surnames, relationship, age, civil status, profession, nationality and residency of informant
- Names, surnames, civil status, date of death, age, gender, cause of death, profession, nationality of the deceased.

Where are these death records?

The death records are archived in each municipality of the country. Note: Some have been destroyed.

5. Adoption Records 1879 to the present.

The adoption records contain the following information:

- Names and surnames of the children and the parents
- Court proceedings
- Ages, dates and gender.

Where are these adoption records?

The adoption records are archived in each municipality of the country. Note: Some have been destroyed.